

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2003 Calendar of Events

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO

January 15, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Osage Community Centre, 1625 N. Kingshighway

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Extravaganza. A host of area performers will provide musical and oratorical tributes in honor of Dr. King's birthday. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 15, 2003 Time: 7:30 P.M.

Portageville Community Center

The Struggle Goes On. Planing a Freedom Fund Rally on Dr. King's birthday. Admission cost is \$15.00 **Contact:** Dorothy Sikes at 573/379-3605.

January 20, 2003 Time: 8:00 A.M.

Show Me Center

18th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Breakfast. Special Guest: Rev. Earl Nance, Jr., Pastor of Greater Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, President of St. Louis Metropolitan Clergy Coalition, and Education Liaison to the Mayor of the City of St. Louis. Admission: \$7/general public; \$3/children 6-12; free for children 5 and under; \$3/Non-Meal Plan students, free for Meal Plan students. Tickets may be purchased at the Southeast Bookstore, University Center Information Desk, and Schnucks Food and Drug until Friday, January 17. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Sponsored by Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Dr. Irene Ferguson at 573/651-2263, or Dr. Ivy Locke at 573/651-2570.

January 20, 2003 Time: 12:00 P.M.

Osage Community Centre, 1625 N. Kingshighway

2nd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Benefit. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Mrs. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 20, 2003 Time: 3:00 P.M.

Westfield Shopping Town, 134 West Park Mall

Youth Gala. Area youth will provide an array of tributes in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sponsored by the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City-Wide Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Mrs. Debra Mitchell-Braxton, Executive Director, at 573/334-0856.

January 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Livingway Church, 1224 Bloomfield Rd.

13th Annual Community Celebration. Ecumenical evening worship service. Special Guest: Sister Antona Ebo. Event is co-sponsored by the Downtown Council of Churches of Cape Girardeau and the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Celebration Committee. No admission cost. **Contact:** Rev. Bob Towner at 573/335-2997.

January 20-24, 2003 Time: 11:00 A.M.

University Center Lobby, Southeast Missouri State University

Volunteer Fair and Common Hour Programs. Daily activities include volunteer fair for individuals and organizations to sign up for service days; collection of donations of mittens and canned goods for disbursement to communities in the service region; program on "Organizing Peaceful Protests"; performance by the University's Regenerations Choir; and, a video highlighting Dr. King and Civil Rights efforts. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Ms. Vida Mays at 573/290-5111, or Ms. Gretchen Weber at 573/651-2280.

January 20 through February 2003

Various Elementary Schools

Speakers and Presenters Bureau. Southeast Missouri State University students will be selected from various academic disciplines to research and make topical presentations in classrooms on significant events and individuals of African American history. **Contact:** Mr. Trent Ball at 573/651-6135.

Month of February 2003 Time: 7:30 A.M. (Mon. - Fri.) 10:00 A.M. (Sat.)

1st Floor of University Center, Southeast Missouri State University

Annual Black History Month Book Sale. A selection of trade books for purchase featuring Black History Month. **Contact:** Ms. Laurie Taylor at 573/651-2737.

Month of February 2003

Participating Elementary Schools and Early Childhood Centers

6th Annual Read-A-Thon. Readers will present multicultural literature on historical Americans and their contributions to the development of our nation to children from pre-school to grade four. Sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Ms. Joyce Renaud at 573/651-2499.

February 4, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University

Collegiate 100 Forum. An open forum and discussion of the book, Envy of the World: On Being a Black Man in America. No admission cost. **Contact:** Mr. Alan Byrd at 573/651-2590.

February 5, 2003 Time: 6:00 P.M.

University Center Ballroom, Southeast Missouri State University

African American Artists Showcase and Reception. This exhibition of African American artists is open to the University and surrounding communities. Reception included. Sponsored by Southeast Missouri Regional Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee. **Contact:** Dr. Arrick Jackson at 573/986-6163.

February 12, 2003 Time: 5:00 P.M.

Southeast Missouri State University, Dempster Atrium

Minority Career Exploration Dinner. Keynote speaker will be Ms. Joyce Bracy Vaughn, Director of the Student Counseling Assessment and Development Center, University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff. The theme and purpose of this dinner is to pro-actively involve our minority students in mentoring and networking activities that enhance their understanding of the significance and value of higher education. Students, faculty and staff should attend. No admission cost. **Contact:** Jerry Lee Westbrook, Assistant Dean of Students and Director Career Services, at 573/651-2268, (fax) 573/651-2532, e-mail: jlwestbrook@semo.edu.

February 13-16, 2003

Black Heritage and Civil Rights Tour. Southeast Missouri State University students will visit historical sites and institutions of higher learning including the Sloss Furnace Museum, the Tuskegee Institute and the Alabama/Georgia cities of Selma, Tuskegee, Montgomery, Birmingham and Atlanta. Limited to MSP and SSS students. Sponsored by the Offices of Minority Student Programs, Student Support Services, and Student Development at Southeast Missouri State University. **Contact:** Ms. Tameka Herrion at 573/986-6135.

February 20, 2003 Time: 7:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University

What Have You Done For Me Lately: From Black Women to Black Men. An open forum and discussion on the state of relationships and community between African American men and women. No admission cost. Sponsored by Collegiate 100 Organization at SMSU. **Contact:** Ms. Kim Stewart at 573/651-2590.

February 27, 2003 Time: 10:00 A.M.

University Center Ballroom, Southeast Missouri State University

Campus-Wide Career Fair will feature 25-50 potential employers recruiting students for positions with their companies or organizations. Sponsored by Career Services.

Contact: Mr. Jerry Lee Westbrook at 573/651-2266.

February 28 and March 1, 2003

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Johnson Faculty Center, Southeast Missouri State University

Two Black Movie Weekends will showcase decades of African American cinema. No admission cost. Sponsored by the Cultural Events Planning Committee of the Office of Minority Student Programs. **Contact:** Mr. Christopher Johnson at 573/986-6135.